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Docket No.: 59585(71526)

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In re Patent Application of: Takahiro Fujiwara et al.

Application No.: 10/656,617

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Art Unit: 1621

For: PROCESS FOR THE PRODUCTION OF

OPTICALLY ACTIVE AMINO ALCOHOLS

Examiner: B. J. Davis

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated September 28, 2005, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

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